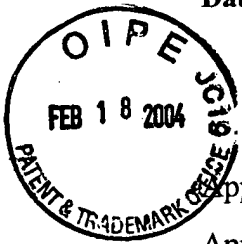


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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of September 15, 2003 (Part of Paper Number 40), Applicants present the following comments and request reconsideration of the rejections. A Petition for a Three-Month Extension of Time, up to and including March 15, 2004, and the necessary fee, are enclosed.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.

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